

## MRS. HULL TO TELL BURDICK SECRETS.

She Is Again Summoned to the Stand, and the Inference Is that She Can Explain Some Incidents That Happened in the House on the Night of the Tragedy.

(Special to The Evening World.)

BUFFALO, March 25.—Mrs. Maria Hull, the aged mother of Mrs. Alice Hull Burdick, will be the first witness called to the stand when the inquest is resumed before Judge Murphy to-morrow.

After a conference lasting far into the night between Superintendent of Police Bull, Chief of Detectives Cusack and District-Attorney Coatsworth a subpoena was issued for her, which Detective John Holmlund served at the Ashland street house this afternoon.

The recall of Mrs. Hull indicates the theory of the prosecution that some one in the Ashland avenue house was cognizant of what was going on in Burdick's den on the night of Feb. 26.

On no other theory, they say, can they account for the disappearance of the bottle of cocktails which Burdick brought home with him that night; for the appearance of the cranberry tart and the silverware on the table in the den. These articles were stored away in the butler's pantry, and Burdick, they claim, could not have found them. Collusion with an inmate of the household, they assert, is further established by the way the murderer gained ingress and egress to the house. It is absolutely certain that the murderer did not enter or leave by the slightly opened kitchen window. There were no marks on the snow-covered window-sill.

### HOW DID SHE KNOW IT WAS BURDICK?

The point on which District-Attorney Coatsworth pressed Mrs. Hull hardest when she was on the stand was how she came by the knowledge that it was Burdick's body which was in the den. Dr. Marcy, the first person to enter the chamber of death, testified that it would have been impossible for any one by a cursory glance to have told that there was a human form on the couch. Yet Mrs. Hull claims she knew there was a body on the couch the moment she entered the door. She swore she did not know it was Burdick's body, but she went straight to the dining-room and told the children their father was sick in the den. Later before Dr. Marcy's arrival, she told Marion Burdick her father was dead.

Asked to explain these conflicting stories she denied she had told the girl any such thing until after Dr. Marcy's arrival. Marion contradicted her in a private statement to the police, but she turned around and defended her grandmother when on the witness stand, and the District-Attorney could not break her down.

Nine-year-old Alice Hull Burdick contradicted her yesterday on the witness stand, and said that when her grandmother came into the dining-room before Dr. Marcy came she told them their father was sick in the den.

**DISCREPANCIES IN HER STORIES.**  
Mrs. Hull's testimony on the opening day of the inquest was remarkable for the many discrepancies between her account of what happened in the Burdick household on the day of the discovery of the murder and the stories told by the servants, Maggie Murray and Katie Keonig.

Mrs. Hull says she was in the bath-room when Maggie Murray told her the front door was open and the den door closed, and that she then put on her skirt and walked down the front stairs. Maggie Murray said Mrs. Hull was in her own room, that she walked out into the hall, looked into Mr. Burdick's room, then walked to the head of the stairs and looked over the banisters to see if the door of the den was closed, and then came back and walked down the back stairs with her.

After Mrs. Hull gave one look into the den—according to Marion Burdick's testimony—the grandmother told her Mr. Burdick was sick in the den, and then went into the conservatory with her and helped to water the flowers. No one went near the den, where Mrs. Hull had informed the household that the master lay sick, until Dr. Marcy came, unrolled the sofa pillows from the dead body and unwound the comforter which had been wrapped about him.

Marion admitted she did not ask what was the matter with her father or express a wish to go to him. Even when she was told he was dead she did not ask how he had died. She was satisfied that her grandmother had told her all that was necessary. Pressed for an explanation, the child admitted her conduct had been unnatural.

### RACKING EXAMINATION AHEAD.

Mrs. Hull will have to stand a terrible cross-fire of interrogation when she resumes the stand. Every contradiction and discrepancy in her statements will be gone over relentlessly. She will be forced to explain why she kept the children from the den after telling them their father was sick. She will be made to tell why she had told them their father was in the den when she could not have known it from the hurried glance she says she gave into the room. Her denial of all knowledge of the relations between her daughter and Pennell will be probed.

The police believe that Pennell had a key to the Burdick house and that some one in the house knew of his presence or the presence of an emissary on the night of the murder.

Rev. Levi M. Powers, pastor of the Church of the Messiah, may also be called.

No information can be gained as to the existence of the bond for \$50,000 alleged to have been executed by Arthur R. Pennell to secure a payment of \$25,000 to Mrs. Burdick.

It is said that the bond was only a provisional one, to take effect only upon the condition that Mrs. Burdick be divorced and have no other source of maintenance.

Herbert M. Hill, city chemist, will also be a witness to-morrow. "I expect to wind up the inquest to-morrow noon," said District-Attorney Coatsworth this afternoon.

"Have you discovered any new evidence?" he was asked.

"We have brought out at this inquest everything that we have," replied Mr. Coatsworth. "The public knows now as much about the case as the authorities do. Nothing of importance has developed lately that we did not know before the inquest began. I know nothing of any plot to entrap Burdick."

Mr. Coatsworth was asked if the case would go before the Grand Jury. He said: "It depends upon Judge Murphy's action. If he issues a warrant for any known person, or for John Doe and Jane Roe, it will have to go before the Grand Jury."

## CLEVELAND NOT TO TOUR THE WEST.

He Says: "There Is No Itinerary; I Am Going to St. Louis."

(Special to The Evening World.)

PRINCETON, N. J., March 25.—Mr. Cleveland was asked to-day if he had prepared his itinerary for his Western trip.

He said there was no itinerary to be prepared. To use his own words: "There is no itinerary; I am going to St. Louis."

This was the only statement he wished made of his much-talked-of trip. Whether there is any other purpose in going West than to make one speech at St. Louis Mr. Cleveland would not say.

He expressed surprise at the general impression that he would make an extended tour of the West after the Fair dedicatory ceremonies at St. Louis.

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## ALMA GIRL WINS JUMP AT 25 TO 1.

Mrs. R. Bradley's Steeple-chaser Takes Third Event at Bennings, and Her Ahola Wins First Race.

### ILLYRIA IS DISQUALIFIED.

Pa Daly Loses One Race on a Foul, but Captures the Fourth with Carroll D., Which was Tipped by The Evening World.

### THE WINNERS.

FIRST RACE—Five and a half furlongs.—Ahola (4 to 1) 1, Blue and Orange (15 to 20) 2, Walbrook 3. Time—1:10.

SECOND RACE—Four and a half furlongs.—Miss Nancy (4 to 5) 1, Peter Paul (2 to 1) 2, Listaway 3. Time—0:57 3-5.

THIRD RACE—Mile and a half; hurdle.—Alma Girl (25 to 1) 1, Gibson Girl (6 to 5) 2, Willard J. 3. Time—2:56 2-5.

FOURTH RACE—Seven-eighths of a mile.—Carroll D. (9 to 5) 1, Knight of the Garter (4 to 1) 2, Mediator 3. Time—1:30 2-5.

FIFTH RACE—Three-quarters of a mile.—Goldsey (7 to 1) 1, Gelsha Girl (3 to 1) 2, Prancer 3. Time—1:17.

(Special to The Evening World.)

BENNINGS RACE TRACK, March 25.—Bright, breezy weather took the place of the warm, muggy atmosphere that has prevailed for the past two days here.

High winds were blowing also, which helped wonderfully at clearing up the moisture from the mass of deep, soggy mud through which the horses ploughed yesterday.

The track was in very fair shape to-day, and except for a stretch of an eighth of a mile in front of the grand stand it could be called good. The backstretch was so dry that dust flew from the heels of the flying thoroughbreds in all of the races.

To-morrow should see a good track and probably a much better entry card. So far the racing at Bennings would not credit to a half-mile outlay track. Of course many things are to be overlooked at this early season, but it does seem as if there ought to be better fields, with every stall on the track filled.

The card this afternoon was again very poor. There was no race on the programme that promised anything out of the ordinary. The race for two-year-olds probably absorbed the most interest.

The attendance was again heavy. Washington has become an important point on the racing circuit and the petronage becomes more liberal with each meeting. The club-house is always well filled with the best people in Washington society circles and some heavy wagers are sent from that metropole.

Word reached the track this afternoon that W. Hicks had signed to ride for Perry Belmont for the coming season. Hicks is a colored rider. He was ruled out at New Orleans for fraudulent riding, but subsequently reinstated when he made a confession.

### FIRST RACE.

Five and a half furlongs. Betting: Starters, white, jocks. St. H. Fin. Str. Place. Illyria, 103, Miles... 2 25 11 4 4-5 Ahola, 101, Hendon... 5 11 29 4 2-5 Blue and Orange, 105, ... 1 4 35 15-20 Walbrook, 89, Wilson... 5 24 4 8 2-5 Disqualified. Illyria won the opening event, in which much rough riding took place. In the first furlong Blue and Orange bore over on Ahola and Walbrook and caused those two to pull up. Blue and Orange and Illyria then made the running to the turn, where Ahola raced up on the outside and Blue and Orange was shut off. Ahola then led into the stretch, where Illyria closed. At the furthest pole Illyria bumped into Ahola, then drew away, winning by a length from Ahola, who beat Blue and Orange a head. Illyria was disqualified and Miles won.

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### WEATHER FORECAST.

Forecast for the thirty-six hours ending at 8 P. M. Thursday for New York City and vicinity: Fair to-night and Thursday; brisk to fresh westerly winds.

Tour to Washington. Via Pennsylvania Railroad April 6. \$14.00 for round trip, including all expenses. Conductor's Agent, 225 Fifth Ave., New York City.

## BRITISH HERO ENDS HIS LIFE BY SHOOTING

Gen. Sir Hector Macdonald, Who was Accused of Immoral Acts, Kills Himself in a Paris Hotel.

### A SENSATION IN LONDON.

He Was on His Way to Stand Trial by Court Martial Into the Charges Made Against Him in Ceylon.

LONDON, March 25.—A despatch announces that Major-Gen. Sir Hector Macdonald, on his way to Ceylon, where he commanded the British forces, from London to answer charges of immoral acts in office, has committed suicide in a hotel in Paris. The news has created a profound sensation in London, where Gen. Macdonald was a popular hero.

Gen. Macdonald came to England to confer with Earl Roberts and other officers, with whom he had been associated, immediately after the charges were filed last month. They advised him to return at once and face the charges.

### Charges Against Morality.

The first intimation of the trouble leaked out at a dinner of a Highland regiment on March 21, at which Gen. Macdonald was not present. Earl Roberts, in leading the men who had achieved fame, failed to mention his name. When one of the speakers later spoke with feeling of Macdonald's brilliant record the words were received coldly.

When explanations were asked the nature of the charges against Macdonald became public. Rumors that his private life was not above reproach had been current in Ceylon, where he was in command of the British forces for some time. While the acts of which he was said to be guilty are not punishable by civil law in Ceylon, they were of such a serious nature that the Governor could not ignore them. He decided upon a court-martial.

The Governor sent word to the Home Office that he believed Gen. Macdonald innocent, and army officers and all who have the standing of the army at heart hoped that his opinions were correct. No officer in the army was more beloved by the people at large than was Gen. Macdonald.

Nine Years in the Banks. Major-Gen. Macdonald, who was an aide-de-camp to King Edward, was born in 1853, enlisted in the Gordon Highlanders and served nine years in the ranks. He accompanied Sir Frederick (now Lord) Roberts in his famous march to Cabul, was present at the battle of Candahar and was promoted to be Second-Lieutenant.

Since then Macdonald had served in the Boer war, 1881, in which he took part in the battle of Majuba Hill; the Nile Expedition, 1884-5; Suakin, 1888; the Nile, 1889; capture of Tokar, 1891; commanded the Egyptian Brigade, 1897-98, taking part in the battle of Abu-Hamed, Atbara and Khartoum; received the thanks of Parliament, and was appointed an aide-de-camp to the late Queen Victoria; commanded the troops in the Sirdar District of India, 1899; commanded the Highland Brigade, South Africa, 1899-1901; was wounded at the Battle of Paardeburg, and made a Knight Commander of the Bath, and commanded the Southern and Belgium districts, 1901, from 1901 until 1902, when he was appointed to command the British troops in Ceylon.

The General had been repeatedly mentioned in official despatches for gallant conduct in the field, and about half a dozen orders and medals and nearly a dozen clasps had been presented to him.

## WERR. C. FLO, WHO IS HELD IN \$50,000 BAIL FOR SWINDLING.

"Doc" Flower

Manipulated

Several

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Obtained

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He Is

Believed

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Schemes.



## STRIKE ON "L" MAY BE AVERTED.

Committee of the Dissatisfied Employees and Representatives of the System Agree on a Tentative Plan.

### CONCESSIONS ON APRIL 1.

At a meeting in the office of General Manager Skitt, of the Manhattan Railway Company, this afternoon between the officials of the Manhattan and Interurban companies and a committee of dissatisfied employees, a proposition was made that will doubtless settle the questions in dispute. At any rate all danger of a strike on the "L" will probably be postponed until after May 1.

Inasmuch as the Interurban company takes charge of the Manhattan "L" on April 1, and after that date the "L" becomes the Manhattan Division of the Interurban Rapid Transit Company, the strikers thought best to confer with General Manager Bryan and General Superintendent Frank Hedley, who will have charge of the road then. These gentlemen, with General Manager Skitt, who is reported, will have nothing to do with the operation of the road, and his assistant, J. E. Grape, met the men this afternoon.

The committee asked pursuant to an engagement made yesterday to meet Mr. Bryan and present their demands for a nine-hour work-day and a new wage scale. They were courteously received and informed that the demands could not be considered in detail by the new management for at least thirty days. It was represented to them that Mr. Bryan and Mr. Hedley, knowing little or nothing of the road at present, require that length of time in which to familiarize themselves with prevalent conditions.

Further than this, the committee was assured that on April 1 some of the grievances of which they complain shall be remedied and that the task of making conditions satisfactory will be proceeded with as rapidly as possible. From the demeanor of the members of the committee, they were pleased with the proposition made to them, although they made no formal answer. "The 'L' employees will vote on the proposition Friday."

## SEVEN HURT IN TROLLEY CRASH

Car on the Old Sea Beach Line of Brooklyn Jumps the Track and Plunges Into a Telegraph Pole.

### MOTORMAN'S TIMELY JUMP.

Seven persons were injured in a trolley accident on the old Sea Beach line in Brooklyn to-day. Car No. 1992, bound for Coney Island, jumped the track and ran into a telegraph pole. The injured are:

BAGLEY, JOSHUA, Seventieth street and Twentieth avenue, Bensonhurst; contusions of head and arms.

CLEARY, MRS. NELLIE, No. 65 Amsterdam avenue, New York; severe contusions.

CLEARY, MILLIE, seven years old; slight cuts.

FINCH, CHARLES, Eighteenth avenue and Sixty-fifth street; cut about head.

MACDONALD, JAMES B., 1035 Dean street; contusions.

MCGINNITY, MARY, arm fractured.

UNDERMARK, MARY, Twenty-second avenue and Sixty-seventh street; bad cuts on arms.

All of the injured were sent to their homes but McDonald, who went to the Norwegian Hospital. The motorman, Robert Delphon, jumped just in time to escape injury.

The wreck occurred at Thirteenth avenue. The car was running fast and left the track without apparent cause. The first passengers knew that the car was not on the rails was when with a lurch it started across the roadway.

There were about twenty passengers on board. Those nearest the front of the car were thrown against the front door and were cut by the broken glass.

## HELD ON CHARGE OF CONSPIRACY.

Man and Woman Accused by Postmaster Van Cott of Falsifying Books.

William T. Gridley and Miss Edna Roney, of Rochester, were held for the Grand Jury by Magistrate Pool in the Centre Street Court this afternoon on the charge of conspiracy to alter the books of the defunct National Mercantile Agency.

The case has been dragging along for several months. Postmaster Cornelius Van Cott, who was president of the company, is the complainant against the two.

There were 35 votes for the bill and none against it.

To Cure a Cold in One Day. Take Laxative Bromo Quinine Tablets. All druggists refund the money if it fails to cure. W. W. Snow's signature is on each box.

## WOMAN OFFERS \$50,000 BAIL FOR DR. R. C. FLOWER.

Mining Promoter Whose Name Was Connected with the Mysterious Death of Theodore Haganan Indicted for Grand Larceny in Stock Transaction and Sent to Tombs.

## OTHER MYSTERIOUS CHARGES ARE MADE TO COURT IN SECRET.

Assistant District-Attorney Garvan Said the Doctor Had Robbed Widows and Orphans and Hastened the Death of Persons Through His Schemes—Cornelia Storrs's Offer to Go on the Bond Rejected.

Dr. R. C. Flower, the mining promoter, whose name has been connected with the mysterious death of Theodore Haganan in the Waldorf-Astoria, was committed to the Tombs this afternoon in default of \$50,000 bail under an indictment charging him on five counts with grand larceny in connection with his promoting schemes. This is the highest bail ever demanded in a similar case.

The prisoner had not been locked up an hour before Mrs. Cornelia Storrs appeared to go on his bond, but she was refused because she could not qualify in the required amount of \$100,000 worth of real estate.

That such bail should be required indicates that matters have taken a serious turn for Flower in connection with other offenses of which he has been more or less suspected. In fact, the bail was set at this figure after a private talk by Assistant District-Attorney Garvan with Justice Foster, the presiding magistrate before whom Flower was arraigned. Justice Foster said that in view of what the District-Attorney had told him privately he did not consider the bail excessive.

### ACCUSED BY WOMAN WRITER.

The indictment was filed by the Grand Jury in Justice Cowing's part of General Sessions shortly after noon. A bench warrant was issued for the arrest of the promoter, who was expected to appear in the Centre Street Court at the continued hearing before Magistrate Barlow, upon the complaint of Mrs. Isabelle Gray Taylor, the authoress, who charged him having defrauded her by persuading her to exchange shares in a good mine for those in the Flower's Lone Pine mine, which are alleged to be without any value.

The evidence in this case, however, had been used by the District-Attorney to secure the indictment, and it was therefore unnecessary to go on with the hearing. Flower also had another case on the docket of the police court, in which he was charged with attempted bribery in having given Andrew D. Meloy, his former friend and associate, \$2,000 with which to bribe Inspector Titus, then captain of the Detective Bureau.

This case was called. Abe Hummel, in behalf of Flower, moved for the dismissal of the case. The motion was not resisted by the District-Attorney, but the Magistrate took it under advisement.

### ARRESTED ON BENCH WARRANT.

When Flower started to leave court he was arrested on the bench warrant by Detective-Sergeant McConville and taken before Justice Foster for arraignment, Justice Cowing having gone home. Mr. Garvan, before proceedings opened, had a long private talk with the Justice. Then he addressed the Court.

"The defendant is arraigned," he said, "on the indictment filed to-day, but it is only one of a series of robberies of which he has been guilty and from which he has realized half a million dollars. He has robbed widows and orphans and hastened the death of persons through his schemes."

"Taking everything into consideration, and the fact that the defendant has been able to evade criminal law, and because of the ease with which he furnishes bail, I do not think a sum less than \$50,000 would guarantee his appearance in court."

"I have already stated to Your Honor facts concerning this man which it is against the law for me to express publicly at this stage of the proceedings."

### PROTEST AGAINST HIGH BAIL.

When Mr. Garvan mentioned \$50,000 as the sum for the bond Flower gasped and his eyes popped out in surprise. Joseph Moss, of Howe & Hummel, jumped up and protested. He delivered a tirade against the District-Attorney's office, but without impressing the Court, who said:

"From what the District-Attorney has told me privately, I think the sum of \$50,000 will be small enough for this man, and I therefore fix the bail at that amount. While I give you leave, Mr. Moss, to apply to any other Judge to reduce the amount, I consider that the District-Attorney has good grounds for his action in asking that this sum be fixed."

Dr. Flower seemed absolutely stunned by this announcement. As he could not give the required bail, he was locked up in the Tombs.

This turn in the now celebrated case caused no end of comment among those who have followed it. The remarks of Mr. Garvan, taken with his private talk with Justice Foster, made many think that startling facts had been unearthed concerning the manner of Haganan's death.

That matter is now being investigated in the minutest detail by Mr. Garvan. The body was performed by Dr. Schultz in the presence of Prof. Rudolph Witthaus, who took away with him all the organs of the body for microscopic and chemical examination. Prof. Witthaus still has these organs. He has made no public report, but Mr. Garvan has received from him a preliminary report.

### HOPES TO GET BAIL.

Flower was seen in the Tombs. He had brightened up and recovered, his usual coolness.

"I've sent for bail," he said, "but the District-Attorney won't let me out to-night. He'll take advantage of the forty-eight-hour law and keep me in overnight, but I'll get it. It's ridiculous to set such an amount in a case where the amount which it is charged I have taken is only \$500, but they can't scare me. I'll face any charge they have to bring against me."

When it was suggested to him that possibly the death of Haganan had something to do with the size of the bail, he shrugged his shoulders and laughed.

Mr. Garvan said that he had not received any report from Dr. Schultz. Flower sent for Mrs. Cornelia Storrs, who is on his bail bonds in the police court cases. She went immediately to the Tombs and offered to go on the bail bond, but she was refused because the property which she offered was only worth \$65,000. It would be necessary for her to qualify in \$100,000.

## RAN AUTO UP CAPITOL STEPS

WASHINGTON, March 25.—Three men in an automobile attempted to ride up the steps at the east front of the Capitol to-day. They reached the second landing, sixteen steps from the street, when the chain of the vehicle broke and it ran back, but without accident. J. D. Hurlbut, who acted as chauffeur, was arrested and fined \$10. His companions refused their names, but one was said to be a city official of Hartford, Conn.

### BASEBALL—AT NEW HAVEN.

Wesleyan ..... 1 0 0 0 0 1 0 0 2  
Yale ..... 6 2 0 0 1 0 0 0 9

### LATE RESULTS AT BENNING.

A Sixth Race—Dark Planet 1, Blue Victor 2, Larva 3.